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COUNTRY	50X1-HUM		
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SUBJECT	REACTION OF WORKERS OF WISMUT A.G. IN RONNEBURG AREA TO POLISH AND HUNGARIAN EVENTS		

THE DEVELOPMENTS IN POLAND AND HUNGARY ARE ALMOST THE SOLE SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION AMONG THE WORKERS OF WISMUT A.G. IN THE RONNEBURG AREA. THE WORKERS ARE FAIRLY WELL INFORMED DESPITE THE FACT THAT EAST GERMAN MEDIA ARE GIVING NO COVERAGE OR DISTORTED COVERAGE. THE WORKERS ARE EXTREMELY SATISFIED WITH DEVELOPMENTS. THE MAIN THEME OF THEIR DISCUSSIONS IS THE PROSPECT THAT THE SED WILL SOONER OR LATER SUFFER A SIMILAR FATE. SUCH DISCUSSIONS ARE NOT HELD IN PUBLIC BUT ONLY IN PRIVATE OR UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THE SPEAKERS CANNOT BE POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED, FOR EXAMPLE ON BUSSES TAKING WORKERS TO A PLANT BEFORE DAYBREAK. THE WORKERS' HATRED OF THE SED REGIME IS VERY EVIDENT. NEVERTHELESS THEY HAVE LEARNED THAT UPRISINGS CAN BE CRUSHED BY THE REGIME WITH SOVIET HELP, AND MORE SOPHISTICATED, IF LESS ACTIVE, FORMS OF RESISTANCE ARE BEING PRACTICED, SUCH AS FAILURE TO ATTEND SED MEETINGS, UTTER SILENCE WHEN FORCED TO ATTEND, AND FAILURE OF THE SED CAMPAIGN TO WIN NEW WORKERS. THE

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UNEXPRESSED AIM OF THESE TACTICS IS TO ISOLATE THE SED EVEN MORE AND TO BREAK ITS POWER BY NONPARTICIPATION.



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